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Hongkong, October 4, 1893. 1841

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AUTHORIZED CAPITAL, £1,500,000.  
RESERVE FUND, £1,250,000.  
**Bankers.**  
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For 12 Months, 5 1/2 %  
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For 3 Months, 4 1/2 %  
JOHN THURBURN, Manager, Hongkong.  
Hongkong, February 4, 1893. 228

**THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.**  
AUTHORIZED CAPITAL, £1,000,000.  
RESERVE FUND, £500,000.  
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do do do 4 %  
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Hongkong, May 24, 1893. 47

**HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.**  
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On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.  
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For 3 months 3 per cent. per annum.  
do 6 " 4 " "  
do 12 " 5 " "  
T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.  
Hongkong, October 19, 1893. 880

**THE BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE STRAITS, LIMITED.**  
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, £2,000,000.  
CAPITAL CALLED UP, £251,093.15.0.  
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**RATES OF INTEREST.**  
Allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits, can be ascertained on application.  
CHANTREY INCHBALD, Manager.  
Hongkong, April 10, 1893. 247

**Banks.**  
**HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.**  
THE business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.  
INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3 1/2 PER CENT. per annum. Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK, to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 5 PER CENT. per annum.  
For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,  
T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.  
Hongkong, May 15, 1893. 1515

**Intimations.**  
**WANTED TO PURCHASE** a STEAMER, from 400 to 600 Tons Net Register.  
Apply to Mr. JOSE BUSTELO, Victoria Hotel.  
Hongkong, October 27, 1893. 1864

**NOTICE.**  
ON and after the 1st DECEMBER NEXT, NO CHITS will be taken in the following Hotels:—  
THE VICTORIA HOTEL.  
PEAK HOTEL.  
KOWLOON HOTEL.  
DORABEE NOWROOJEE, Proprietor.  
Hongkong, October 26, 1893. 1867

**NOTICE TO MARINERS.**  
No. 37 (SPECIAL).  
**CHINA SEA.**  
"NEWCHWANG DISTRICT."  
Wreck of Barque "Aron" on Bar of Liao River, blown up.

**REFERRING TO Notice to Mariners** No. 26 (Special) dated the 28th February, 1893: Notice is hereby given that the Wreck of Norwegian Barque "Aron" has been blown up, and that it no longer offers any obstruction to navigation.  
A. M. BISHOP, Coast Inspector.  
Imperial Maritime Customs, Coast Inspector's Office, Shanghai, 15th October, 1893. 1837

**HONGKONG HOTEL.**  
ON and after 1st DECEMBER NEXT, NO CHITS will be accepted or Credit given in the above Hotel.  
By Order of the Board,  
R. TUCKER, Manager.  
Hongkong, October 20, 1893. 1812

**NOTICE** is hereby given that in accordance with Article No. 18 of the Articles of Association of THE BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN AND THE STRAITS, LIMITED, the Directors have passed a Resolution making a CALL of ONE POUND per SHARE on the Ordinary Shares of the Bank, such Call to become PAYABLE as follows:—  
Five Shillings on the 1st November, 1893.  
Five Shillings on the 1st February, 1894.  
Five Shillings on the 2nd April, 1894.  
Five Shillings on the 1st June, 1894.  
The several Instalments of the above Call due by Shares on the Hongkong Register are Payable as above at the Office of the Bank No. 4, Queen's Road, Victoria, Hongkong, in local currency equivalent.  
INTEREST at the Rate of 5 % per annum will be allowed on all Instalments paid in advance of due dates.  
If the sums payable in respect of any of the above Instalments be not paid on or before the respective days appointed for Payment thereof respectively, INTEREST will be charged on the sums at the Rate of 10 % per annum from the day appointed for Payment thereof to the time of actual Payment, in accordance with Article No. 21 of the Articles of Association of the Bank.  
S. L. DARBY, Acting Manager.  
Hongkong, September 29, 1893. 1036

**CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.**  
1892 ACCOUNT.  
**NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.**  
A Final DIVIDEND of \$4 per SHARE has this Day been declared. WARRANTS will be issued on MONDAY, the 23rd instant.  
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents, CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.  
Hongkong, October 21, 1893. 1819

**"AQUARIUS."**  
"THE TABLE WATER OF THE EAST."  
Per 1 dozen Quarts, \$1.75, less allowance on empties returned to our Godowns, \$0.50. Net price, \$1.25.  
Per 1 dozen Pints, \$1.00, less allowance on empties returned to our Godowns, \$0.50. Net price, \$0.75.  
CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & Co., 13, QUEEN'S ROAD, Hongkong, August 23, 1893. 1473

**STAINFIELD'S PRIVATE FAMILY HOTEL.**  
1, QUEEN'S ROAD EAST.  
VISITORS will find SUPERIOR ACCOMMODATION at Moderate Terms.  
Hongkong, September 1, 1893. 1827

**Business Notices.**  
**LANE CRAWFORD & Co.**  
**NEW STOCK.**  
CARPETS AND RUGS.  
WILTON, BRUSSELS, TAPESTRY, BALMORAL AND VELVET PILE.  
MADRAS AND KENSINGTON SQUARES.  
AXMINSTER AND PARQUET RUGS.  
CURTAINS.  
SILK BROCADES, TAPESTRY & CHENILLE.  
EIDER-DOWN QUILTS AND CUSHIONS.  
Blankets.  
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.  
Hongkong, October 28, 1893. 1868

**THE MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL.**  
1,400 FEET ABOVE THE SEA LEVEL. Telephone No. 35.  
This magnificent HOTEL is situated at the most beautiful part of the Hill District; the Air is delightfully cool and bracing, the Temperature being at least 10 degrees lower than in the valley below. Luxuriously furnished, and Cuisine and Wines First-class.  
**THE TABLE D'HOUE DINNER**  
Is served in the GRAND DINING ROOM at 7.45 P.M.  
Arrangements can be made for DINNER PARTIES in Private Rooms. Tables or Seats can be reserved for the TABLE D'HOUE, and WINES laid to Order.  
For further Particulars, apply to the Underigned, or to the SECRETARY at the Company's Office, 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central.  
R. ISHERWOOD, Manager, MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL.  
Hongkong, October 3, 1893. 1705

**HONGKONG HOTEL.**  
Telephone Address, "Kewin"—A.B.C. Code. Telephone, No. 32.  
THE MOST COMMODIOUS and BEST-APPOINTED HOTEL in the Far East; situated in the centre of the town, opposite the General Post Office and the Hongkong Club, and adjacent to Pedder's Wharf (the principal landing stage of the Colony).  
The HOTEL STEAM LAUNCH conveys passengers and baggage to and from all Mail Steamers.  
The TABLE D'HOUE, at separate tables, is supplied with every delicacy.  
The BED-ROOMS, with adjoining Bath-rooms, are lofty and well ventilated, open on to spacious Verandahs, are lighted by gas and fitted throughout with electric communications.  
The READING, WRITING, and SMOKING ROOMS, LADIES' DRAWING ROOMS, the NEW BAR and PIANO BILLIARD ROOMS (Six English and American Tables) are fitted with every convenience.  
A GILL ROOM, where chops, steaks, &c., are served at any hour, adjoins the Hotel.  
WINES and SPIRITS of the Best Brands only.  
HYDRAULIC ASCENDING ROOMS of the latest and most approved type convey passengers and baggage from the Entrance Hall to each of the five floors above.  
Night Porters and Watchmen are continually on duty.  
R. TUCKER, Manager.  
Hongkong, October 21, 1893. 1842

**HONGKONG TRADING COMPANY.**  
JUST RECEIVED  
**LADIES' KID GLOVES**  
(ALL SIZES).  
**EVENING FLOWERS—NOVELTIES.**  
**HONGKONG TRADING Co.,**  
J. P. COTTAM, Managing Partner.  
Hongkong, October 23, 1893. 1831

**PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY**  
WILL dispatch VESSELS to the Undermentioned PORTS on the DATES named:—  
FOR STRAITS AND BOMBAY:—  
LONDON, Java, About 28th Oct. (Freight or Passage (calling at Madras, if sufficient inducement offers).  
BOMBAY, Teloran, About 7th Nov. (Freight only, calling at Colombo, if sufficient inducement offers).  
SHANGHAI, Rangoon, About 7th Nov. (Freight or Passage).  
LONDON, &c., Malacca, Noon, 9th Nov. (See Special Advertisement).  
SHANGHAI, Aden, About 9th Nov. (Freight or Passage).  
For further Particulars, apply to  
P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, October 20, 1893. 1839

**W. POWELL & Co.**  
**New Goods.**  
CHILDREN'S JACKETS.  
CHILDREN'S DRESSES.  
CHILDREN'S HATS.  
GATERS, GLOVES, &c., &c.  
Every Variety of Ladies' and Children's Underclothing.  
W. POWELL & Co.  
Hongkong, October 28, 1893. 1872

**THOMAS'S GRILL ROOM.**  
THE Underigned has always thought that such a place as this—First-class in every detail—was the one thing needed to fit in-between Horne Lane and the Private Rooming-Houses. Visitors may have their Choice of GRILLED CHOPS or STEAKS at any hour of the Day or Evening, up to 11 o'clock, or later if notified. I am also prepared to supply MEALS to LADIES PARTIES per Menu or Order, their sending Dish, &c., for same and Cash.  
For monthly Board, \$35 for 1 person. " " " " \$15 per month.  
AMERSON FROZEN OYSTERS always on hand and served in every Style.  
Breakfast, \$0.50.  
Dinner, \$0.75.  
Dinner, \$1.00.  
SPECIAL TIFINS and DINNERS can be arranged for at Short Notice.  
W. THOMAS, Proprietor.  
Hongkong, May 1, 1893. 612

**PORTLAND CEMENT.**  
MANUFACTURED BY  
**THE ONODA CEMENT CO.**  
AND  
**THE NIPON CEMENT CO.**  
THE Underigned are now prepared to EXECUTE ORDERS AT MODERATE PRICES.  
MITSU BUSSAN KAISEI, Sole Agents.  
Hongkong, September 13, 1893. 1599

**Intimations.**  
**IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.**  
No. 15 of 1892.  
In the Matter of GEORGE RICHARD STEVENS carrying on Business at No. 2, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, as MERCHANT and COMMISSION AGENT, under the Style or Firm name of GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.  
Ex parte.—THE DEBTOR.  
THE COURT has appointed MONDAY, the 13th day of November, 1893, at 10 o'clock, for hearing the application for Discharge of the above-named Debtor.  
Dated the 25th day of October, 1893.  
C. F. A. SANGSTER, Auctioneer.  
1862

**NOTICE.**  
UNDER a writ of Mandamus from the Supreme Court of this Colony, a Special Session of Her Majesty's JUSTICES of the PEACE will be held in the Justices' Room, at the Magistrate, on MONDAY, the 30th day of October, A.D. 1893, at 12 Noon, for the purpose of considering, hearing, and determining according to law, an application from one ALEXANDER OLDFIELD for a Publican's Licence to sell and retail intoxicating Liquors in the Premises known as the first, or platform floor of A. S. WATSON & Co.'s Building on Royal Building Lot No. 80, at Victoria Gap, under the sign of "THE BUTTER".  
H. E. WOODHOUSE, Police Magistrate.  
Magistrate, 17th October, 1893. 1852

**TRADE MARK.**  
**CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & Co.**  
Wine and Spirit Merchants, 13, QUEEN'S ROAD, Hongkong, August 18, 1891. 1612  
**THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED (IN LIQUIDATION).**  
**NOTICE.**  
THE LIQUIDATION at this BRANCH will in future be Conducted by THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA & CHINA.  
By Order of the Liquidator,  
E. W. RUTTER, Attorney for the Liquidator.  
Hongkong, October 7, 1893. 1745

**NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.**  
**THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY LIMITED.**  
**NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.**  
FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL AND SINGAPORE.  
THE Company's S.S. "Oolong" having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.  
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the Office of the Underigned before Noon on the 29th instant, or they will not be recognized.  
All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 29th inst., at 3 p.m.  
No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 29th instant will be subject to rent.  
Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon To-day.  
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co., Agents.  
Hongkong, October 23, 1893. 1830

**UNION LINE.**  
**NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.**  
FROM HAMBURG AND STRAITS.  
THE Steamship "Asia" having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.  
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the Office of the Underigned before Noon on the 2nd Nov., or they will not be recognized.  
All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 1st Nov., at 3 p.m.  
No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 2nd Nov. will be subject to rent.  
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SHEWAN & Co., Agents.  
Hongkong, October 26, 1893. 1863

**NO. 3, WEST TERRACE.**  
Apply to  
G. C. ANDERSON, 13, Praya Central, Hongkong, May 31, 1893. 979

**Auctions.**  
**PUBLIC AUCTION.**  
THE Underigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on **TUESDAY,** the 31st October, 1893, at 2.30 p.m., at his Sales Rooms, Queen's Road, —  
**SUNDAY**  
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c., comprising:—  
TAPESTRY with FLOUS-COVERED DRAWING-ROOM SUITS.  
MARBLE-TOP CENTER and SIDE TABLES.  
BEVELLED GLASS OVERMANTLES, PICTURES and ORNAMENTS.  
CARPETS and HEARTH RUGS.  
CHIFFONIER, EXTENSIVE DINING TABLE, MARBLE-TOP SHEDBOARD, with BEVELLED GLASS-BACK, DINING WAGGONS.  
CLOCKERY, GLASS and PLATED WARE.  
DOUBLE and SINGLE IRON BEDSTEADS.  
DOUBLES and SINGLE WARDROBES with BEVELLED GLASS DOORS.  
MARBLE-TOP BUREAU with GLASS, and MARBLE-TOP WASHSTAND.  
ONE SAFETY BICYCLE, by IVEL.  
&c., &c., &c.  
TERMS of SALE.—As customary.  
J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.  
Hongkong, October 25, 1893. 1847

**To Let.**  
TO LET.  
No. 2, PEDDER'S STREET, next to the Post Office—suitable for OFFICES or CHAMBERS.  
Apply to  
G. C. ANDERSON, 13, Praya Central, Hongkong, March 1, 1893. 300  
**TO LET.**  
NOS. 2, 7, 11 and 12, STYMOND TERRACE, THIRD FLOOR, in No. 6, QUEEN'S ROAD, ROOMS in COLLEGE CHAMBERS. OFFICES in VICTORIA BUILDINGS.  
Apply to  
DAVID SASSON, SONS & Co. Hongkong, September 19, 1893. 985

**TO LET.**  
OFFICES and GODOWNS in "Bank Buildings," Queen's Road, Nos. 16 to 20, lately occupied by Messrs. DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.  
HOUSE, No. 6, ICE HOUSE STREET, lately occupied by Messrs. GIBB, LYTHBURN & Co.  
HOUSES at BELLIOS TERRACE, Robinson Road.  
GODOWNS in DODWELL STREET.  
SHOP, No. 24, QUEEN'S ROAD, opposite "Hongkong Hotel."  
HOUSE, No. 21, SHAZLEY STREET.  
BUNGALOW "DELMAR," Yow-na-tee.  
ROOMS on Top Floor of No. 10, ICE HOUSE STREET, above the "City Club."  
Apply to  
BELLIOS & Co. Hongkong, October 24, 1893. 1842  
**AT THE PEAK.**  
**MOUNT KELLET.**  
**TO LET.**  
**ONE COMMODIOUS HOUSE.**  
Apply to  
BELLIOS & Co. Hongkong, October 24, 1893. 1843

**Shipping.**  
**Steamers.**  
**SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS.**  
**FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.**  
The Steamship "Cardiganhire," Captain SNEOCH, will be despatched for the above Port on or about FRIDAY, the 3rd November.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents.  
Hongkong, October 21, 1893. 1823

**SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS.**  
**FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG.**  
The Steamship "Dunblair," Capt. D. DAVIES, will be despatched for the above Ports on or about the 6th November.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents.  
Hongkong, September 30, 1893. 1891

**'Shell' Line of Steamers.**  
S.S. "Treas" S.S. "Murex" S.S. "Spondus" S.S. "Turbo" S.S. "Elex" S.S. "Cand" S.S. "Vesta" S.S. "Bulmuth."  
**FOR HAVRE AND LONDON.**  
Taking Cargo on through Bill of Lading to NEW YORK.  
The Next Sailing will be the Steamship "O.T.A.M." on or about 16th November.  
For Freight, &c., apply to  
SHEWAN & Co., Agents.  
Hongkong, October 10, 1893. 1754

**N.B.—**The Steamers of this Line will be despatched monthly from Hongkong, and offer exceptional advantages to Shippers of perishable cargo, owing to an improved method of ventilation. Copies of reports on "out-turn" of cargoes may be had on application to the Agents.

**Shipping.**  
**Steamers.**  
**DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.**  
FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.  
The Co's Steamship "Formosa," Captain HALL, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW (the 29th instant), at Daylight.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DOUGLAS LAURENCE & Co., General Agents, Hongkong, October 28, 1893. 1891

**INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.**  
FOR SHANGHAI (DIRECT).  
(Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates for NINGPO, CHEFOO, TIENTSIN, NEWCHOWANG, HANKOW, and Ports on the YANGTSE.)  
The Co's Steamship "Yongpo," Captain SAWER, will be despatched for the above Port on MONDAY, the 30th instant, at 4 p.m.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers, Hongkong, October 27, 1893. 1833

**CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.**  
FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.  
The Co's Steamship "Britany," Captain DUNN, will be despatched for the above Ports on or about FRIDAY, the 3rd November.  
The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamship. First-class Cabin is situated forward of the Engine. Second-class Passengers are berthed in the Poop. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the supply of fresh Provisions during the entire voyage. A daily qualified Surgeon is carried.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents, Hongkong, October 24, 1893. 1832

**FOR NAGASAKI AND KOBE.**  
The Steamship "Caradale," Captain DUNN, will be despatched for the above Ports on or about FRIDAY, the 3rd November.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents, Hongkong, October 27, 1893. 1840

**NIPPON YUSEN KAISEI.**  
**The Japan-Bombay Line.**  
(EVERY THREE WEEKS).  
Compensating with the Steamship "Hiroshima Maru," sailing from KOBE for BOMBAY, via MOJI, HONGKONG and SINGAPORE, on TUESDAY, the 7th November, 1893.  
To be followed by the Steamship "Wakayama Maru," sailing from KOBE, via MOJI, HONGKONG and SINGAPORE, on FRIDAY, the 16th December, 1893.  
The First Steamer from BOMBAY sails on the 15th December, calling at Singapore, Hongkong and Shanghai.  
This Line will be maintained by four steamers running regularly between Bombay and Kobe once every three weeks.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to the Office of the  
NIPPON YUSEN KAISEI, Hongkong, October 26, 1893. 1833

**THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.**  
FOR HAVRE AND LONDON VIA PORTS OF CALL.  
The Co's Steamship "Patting," Captain G.W. LEITCH, will be despatched for the above Port on or about the 10th November, instead of as previously notified.  
For Freight, apply to  
ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co., Agents, Hongkong, October 26, 1893. 1834

**Sailing Vessels.**  
**FOR NEW YORK.**  
The 3/3 L.L.I. American Ship "John R. Kelly," Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick dispatch.  
For Freight, apply to  
SHEWAN & Co. Hongkong, September 14, 1893. 1607

**WINDSOR HOTEL.**  
(in Commercial Building), QUEEN'S ROAD, HONGKONG.  
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5 p.m.

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By Command,  
G. T. M. O'BRIEN,  
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Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Hongkong, 27th October, 1893. 1890

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quarters. All Members to muster at Head-  
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duty, Lieutenant W. M. HARRIS, Saturday,  
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Havre and London.	Halle (s).	Harland & Wolff.	About Nov. 10.
London.	Clara (s).	Harland & Wolff.	About Nov. 15.
London and Hamburg.	Java (s).	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About October 28.
London and Ports of Call.	Donaghishire (s).	Dodwell, Carill & Co.	About Nov. 6.
Marseilles, v. Saigon.	Saghalien (s).	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Nov. 9, at noon.
Nagasaki and Yokohama.	Caradale (s).	Massachusetts Maritime.	Nov. 1, at noon.
New York, v. Suez Canal.	Cardiganhire (s).	Dodwell, Carill & Co.	About Nov. 3.
New York.	John R. Kelly.	Shewan & Co.	Quick despatch.
Port Darwin, &c.	Chingta (s).	Butterfield & Swire.	Nov. 2, at noon.
Sumatran & Surabaya.	Shantung (s).	Pacific Mail S. S. Co.	Nov. 4, at 4 p.m.
S. Francisco, v. Japan.	Parr (s).	O. & S. S. N. Co.	Nov. 14, at 1 p.m.
S. Francisco, v. Japan.	Osama (s).	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Oct. 30, at 4 p.m.
Shanghai.	Wongong (s).	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Oct. 31, at 4 p.m.
Shanghai.	Lyseman (s).	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Nov. 7.
Shanghai.	Adun (s).	Dodwell, Carill & Co.	Oct. 30, at noon.
Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.	Shanghai (s).	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Nov. 7.
Swatow, Amoy & Fuchow.	Formosa (s).	Douglas Lauprak & Co.	Oct. 29, daylight.
S'low, Amoy & Fuchow.	Namoa (s).	Douglas Lauprak & Co.	Oct. 31, daylight.
Vancouver (B.C.), &c.	Empress of China (s).	Canadian P. M. S. Co.	Nov. 1, at noon.
Victoria (B.C.), &c.	Victoria (s).	Nov. P. M. S. Co.	Nov. 9, at noon.

## SHIPPING.

## ARRIVALS.

October 28—

Tai Lee, German steamer, 828, Calender,  
Deli October 19, General—Mayer & Co.  
Pekin, British steamer, 118, Raymond,  
Amoy Oct. 26, General—MALACCA & Co.

Derwent, British steamer, 1,037, Geo.  
Anderson, Bangkok Oct. 17, Koh-si-chang  
20, Wood, Rice and General—YUEN FAT  
HONG.

Strathgairn, British steamer, 1,454, J. H.  
Fowles, New York August 18, and Singa-  
pore and Bombay—Strathgairn & Co.

Namoa, British steamer, 833, O. E. A.  
Harris, Fuchow October 25, Amoy 26, and  
Swatow 27, General—DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP  
Co.

Nanyang, German steamer, 1,059, F.  
Schulz, Newchwangland Chetoo October 22,  
Beau and General—SIEMSEN & Co.

Gulf of Taranto, British steamer, 2,128,  
R. Hudson, Nov. 9th September 9, Gen-  
eral—Gins, Livingston & Co.

**DEPARTURES.**  
October 28—

Ajar, for Amoy.  
Acto, for Hoihow.

Ulysses, for Shanghai.  
Nanyang, for Canton.  
Lemna, for Moji.  
Fushan, for Shanghai.  
Benedict, for Kobe.  
Borneo, for Singapore.

**CLEARING.**  
Decima, for Saigon.  
Diamond, for Amoy.  
Hollain, for Saigon.  
Bellona, for Singapore and Hamburg.  
Asia, for Hoihow.  
Rosa, for Swatow.  
Hanoi, for Haiphong.

**PASSENGERS.**  
Arrived.

Per Tai Lee, from Deli, 438 Chinese.  
Per Peking, from Amoy, 18 Chinese.  
Per Derwent, from Bangkok, Mr. and  
Mrs. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Dodd, 75 Chinese.  
Per Namoa, from Coast Ports, Messrs  
Pollock, Robinson, Best, Rev. W. Bradt  
and servant, Mr. Long Tye, and 221 Chi-  
nese.

Per Gulf of Taranto, from New York,  
Mrs. Hudson.

**DEPARTED.**  
Per Ajar, for Amoy, 110 Chinese.  
Per Acto, for Hoihow, 1 European, and  
80 Chinese.  
Per Fushan, for Shanghai, 100 Chinese.  
Per Borneo, for Singapore, 607 Chinese.

**TO DEPART.**  
Per Decima, for Saigon, 50 Chinese.  
Per Diamond, for Amoy, 300 Chinese.  
Per Hollain, for Saigon, 150 Chinese.  
Per Bellona, for Singapore, 12 Chinese.  
Per Namoa, for Coast Ports, 400 Chinese.  
Per Hanoi, for Haiphong, 2 Europeans,  
and 20 Chinese.

**SHIPPING REPORTS.**  
The German steamer Tai Lee reports:  
Had good weather, and strong N.E. wind.  
The British steamer Peking reports: Had  
fine weather throughout.

The British steamer Derwent reports:  
Had fresh to strong monsoon, with high  
head sea. Overcast, cloudy and rain to  
Parcels from thence to port, clear weath-  
er.

The British steamer Strathgairn reports:  
Strong monsoon from Singapore.

The British steamer Peking reports:  
Left Foochow on the 26th October, Amoy  
26th, and Swatow 28th. Strong N.E.  
winds throughout, fine clear weather. Ste-  
amers in Fuchow, Hanoi. Steamers in Amoy,  
Cass, Swatow, Chien Grant, and Luon.  
Steamer in Swatow, Kow Beng.

**EXPORT CARGOES.**  
Per a s. Glenavon, sailed 25th October:  
—For London, 791 boxes Tea, containing  
16,511 lbs. Scanted Caper, 482 boxes Tea,  
containing 10,122 lbs. Congon, 1,263 boxes  
Tea (particulars unknown), 1,000 bales  
Hemp, 100, 14 pkgs. Merchandise.

Per a s. Clyde, sailed 26th October:  
—For London, 40 bales Punjum Silk, 341  
bales Waste Silk, 9 cases Silk Piece Goods  
and 8 cases Sundries. For France, 50 pkgs.  
Tea from Foochow, 607 bales Waste Silk, 75  
Tea from Foochow, 8 cases Silk Piece Goods  
and 2 cases Sundries.

**POST OFFICE NOTICES.**  
MAILS will close:—

For CANTON.  
Per Peking, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the  
29th inst.

For BANGKOK.  
Per Derwent, at 11.30 a.m., on Monday,  
the 30th inst.

For SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.  
Per Strathgairn, at 11.30 a.m., on Monday,  
the 30th inst.

For SINGAPORE & MAURITIUS.  
Per Donor, at 3.30 p.m., on Monday,  
the 30th inst.

For SHANGHAI.  
Per Wongong, at 3.30 p.m., on Monday,  
the 30th inst.

For SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW.  
Per Namoa, at 5 p.m., on Monday, the  
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day, the 31st inst.

## MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

## Shipping.

Daylight.—For-moa leaves for S'low, &c.  
Miscellaneous.  
Goods per Oolong undelivered after this  
date subject to rent.

**MEMOS. FOR MONDAY.**  
Shipping.

Noon.—Strathgairn leaves for S'hai, &c.  
4 p.m.—Wongong leaves for S'hai, &c.  
4 p.m.—Shantung leaves for S'hai, &c.

**General Memoranda.**  
Tuesday, October 31—  
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Sundry House-  
hold Furniture, &c., at Mr. J. M.  
Armstrong's.

Wednesday, November 1—  
8 a.m.—Artillery Practice.  
Goods per Bayern undelivered after this  
date subject to rent.

9 p.m.—Meeting of Zeland Lodge.  
Thursday, November 2—  
Goods per Acto undelivered after this  
date subject to rent.

**Quotations.**  
Hongkong, October 28, 1893.

OPIMUM—New Patna, cash, 567 1/2  
" Old, cash, 570  
" New Malwa credit, 590  
" Allowance, Cattle, 1/2  
" Old Malwa credit, 600/610  
" Allowance, Cattle, 1/4  
" Persian, Only New, 550/60  
" Allowance, Cattle, 1/2  
" Persian, Paper tied 550/610  
" Allowance, Cattle, 1/4

**Exchange.**  
Hongkong, October 28.











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Andreas of Mr. Ruskin will be interested to hear that there is some likelihood of a new and important work from his pen and pencil shortly seeing the light. Of all the famous artists who Mr. Ruskin has studied there is none, not even except Venice, which he has more than once painted. 'She has virtually represented me,' he says in his autobiography, 'the face and the beauty of Italy; and whatever concerning Italy I have felt, or been able with my pen or pencil to express, has been dealt with more deeply, and more earnestly, for her sake.' Especially interesting, therefore, to the announcement that the 'Stones of Verona' will be the subject of the new volume to which we allude.

The 'ride-tronching tool' of M. de Layen, which was recently tried at Armoury House Parade Ground, Epsbury, and is expected to be one of the most important of the future, consists essentially of an arrangement by which a spade or such like tool can be fixed to the butt of a rifle without preventing the weapon from being ready for use either with shot or bayonet. To this end there is a receptacle in the butt and the spade fits into it with a spring catch. Of course the stock and barrel of the rifle become the handle of the spade. It is claimed for this appliance that it will enable every infantry soldier to be his own sapper and rifle-pit maker, and the tool-wagon will become unnecessary. Moreover, if there is no time to fix the bayonet the spade itself will be a make-shift; and when not in use it can be carried in a leather case slung across the chest of the soldier, thus balancing the weight of his haversack and forming a breastplate against sword, bayonet, or lance, and possibly bullets. M. de Layen is a Frenchman, married to an Englishwoman, and settled in England.

## LOSS OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

PASSENGERS AND TREASURE SAVED.

Yesterday afternoon telegraphic information was received at the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, and by Mr. W. H. Ray, Secretary of the China Traders' Insurance Company, that the Pacific Mail Company's steamer City of New York had stranded and was not likely to get off. It was also stated in these telegraphic despatches that the passengers and treasure had been saved.

The City of New York arrived at San Francisco from Hongkong on 16th October and left again for Japan and China on Thursday, 20th October. As the telegrams were received here yesterday afternoon, it is evident that the steamer had not proceeded far on her voyage. The opinion entertained by those who are acquainted with the western coast of America is that the steamer must have gone ashore, in a fog, upon the Golden Gate and that she had sustained such damage as to render it practically impossible to save her. Unless there had been very dirty weather there would have been little difficulty in getting the passengers and crew into the boats and taking them safely to land, and the fact that the treasure was saved tends to confirm this opinion.

At 10 o'clock this morning, Mr. J. S. Van Buren, the agent for the Pacific Mail Company, had received no information from his principals regarding the City of New York.

## FRAGRANT WATERS' MURMUR.

That the Sanitary Board has done good work for this Colony, as any one who has watched the progress of the Board must readily admit.

That the quarterly report of the Sanitary Surveyor (Mr. J. Crook) shows the amount of actual reform effected in private drainage, and we may conclude that the public drainage is now working in parallel lines with these private improvements.

That the official action of the Board were wont to work in the most harmonious way together, under the quiet and judicious guidance of Mr. Hugh MacCallum.

That I was about to say this harmony had 'gone to the dogs,' but on this occasion the trouble has found its way, or its outlet, among the pigs.

That the new Acting Secretary has evidently mounted the high horse before he knew exactly whether he was to ride.

That, even supposing he had discovered a hole in the official coat of the Colonial Veterinary Surgeon—which he had not done—his mode of pointing it out might have been less objectionable.

That any official adopting this tone should live in even a stronger tower than Gap Rock, before he throws stones in the chimney manner he has done.

That the Colonial Veterinary Surgeon is not an Inspector of Nuisances.

That the Acting Secretary ought to have known this, and should have made himself acquainted with the records which, according to the President's dictum, settled this seemingly personal affair eighteen months before.

That the Act. Sec.'s courteous query to the Vet. Surg., 'Do you know of such a resolution having been passed, please?' may form a model for footstep following in the future.

That the only point made against the Colonial Vet. was the point of a pencil—and much was made of that point from an official point of view.

That the Acting Secretary seized the pencil, the President subsequently gave it a hard squeeze, and the Acting Registrar General nearly fainted away on seeing it.

That, after recovery, Mr. Thomson gravely and solemnly remarked (in ink, on full-sized foolscap), 'All reports should be in ink and not in pencil.' (Amén.)

That it is to be hoped the drains will smell more sweetly and the piggy-wiggies be cared for more thoroughly owing to this exclusive use of ink—whether red, black, mauve, or violet.

That the residents of Hongkong are probably not aware that the Director of Public Works and the Harbour Master were nearly engaged in the surging waters around the Gap Rock on their recent visit.

That the fang-shui of that region must be very largely under the malign influence of the evil spirits, and this must in a measure account for Mr. Cooper's inability to explain the crashing in of the lightning apparatus.

That the glazed face of the light is nearly 160 feet from the low water mark, and yet it is said to have been smashed by a green sea—a thing never heard of at Home.

That, in spite of this evidence, you can still hear certain ignorant people saying there was no typhoon on that occasion—only a gale.

That I was a little amused to read the remarks of your morning contemporary on the rights and obligations of debtor and creditor, as the outcome of the recent 'fighting for a principle.'

That I am quite ready to admit all that was said about the offer of \$10 as a discharge for 80 cents, the tender of a compromise in order for the amount, and so forth.

That it may even be admitted the debtor should be compelled to hand to his creditor the exact amount of his indebtedness in legal tender.

That this rule would simplify the difficulty of the chit system, and would save shroffs' salaries and a great deal of shoe leather.

That all the same, another consideration presents itself, namely, that when the Public Gardens Department owes money outside, it calls upon the creditor to come up and get his money!

That several of the Public Departments attempt to do the same thing—and, in fact, the Crown can do no wrong in becoming part of the official creed of this Colony.

That I understand Mr. Turner has at last been safely delivered of those 80 cents, but (although he may have been technically in the wrong) I feel thankful to him for pointing out the anomaly.

That outside of this foolish red-tapeism, the sale of flowers and plants from the Public Gardens has tended greatly to improve the growth of rare and beautiful plants and flowers all over the Colony.

That perhaps the introduction of cash payments by the leading hotels here may slightly lessen sales, but if the enormous percentage which I have heard given of unpaid bills outstanding be correct, the actual takings cannot be materially lessened.

That a Good Templar would rejoice over any prospect of material reduction of revenue at hotel bars, while shareholders in the hotels regard the matter as one of ways and means.

That one thing is certain: if the hotel managers or proprietors decide to demand cash, the public have nothing to say against the change, because they can drink or not as they choose.

That much chaff and serious discussion have been indulged in upon the subject of the work of our Colonial Treasury, and little is likely to come of it for some time.

That it is presumed the references Home of the Retrenchment Commission will prove to be a long and slow mode of remedying the grievances complained of by the un-officials.

That I have heard one scheme of retrenchment mentioned which is new to me, and may be new to many others, namely, the practical abolition of the Treasury staff, and the appointment of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank as collectors of the revenue, under supervision of Auditor and Treasurer.

That the proposition appears to be to entrust all collections or receipts of Crown rents and taxes to the local banking institution, thus saving a vast amount of circumlocution and red-tape, while at the same time securing greater safety for the public funds than can ever be obtained under the existing system.

That the Estimates might necessitate the continued existence of a Colonial Treasurer, whose duty it would be to check the receipts and advise with the Government upon financial generally.

That the scheme, if practicable, would certainly be a new departure on the road of retrenchment, and might lead to the business of government being undertaken more generally than it is, by private contract.

That there would then be no question of the Rent roll being balanced every year.

That speaking of things official, I hear the Registrar of the Supreme Court has been trying to clear up certain matters connected with moribund and liquidating joint-stock companies, and has caused widespread consternation amongst directors or ex-directors of those fading or faded associations.

That schemes which died almost as soon as they were registered have not been notified as default, and piles of nominal fines have been heaping up against those concerned.

That perhaps no houses are likely to be broken, and the pain and distress of losses long past and gone are less keen now than they were; but it seems unkind to threaten with heavy penalties those who have lost their money in a concern whose very name has been almost forgotten.

That I hear mention made of a Ladies' Club, with or without a smoking room, being established in Hongkong.

That stranger things than the Ladies' Club have been talked of here, and I am surprised no one has as yet attempted to supply this want.

That perhaps the proposition made to provide a room for ladies in the new Club building has suggested the idea, and as the new Club cannot be ready for occupation for two or three years, the ladies might well take up the matter for themselves, and settle it as they only can do.

That Sir William and Lady Robinson set the ball of our winter gaieties rolling last night by giving a dance at 'Craigieburn.'

That the want of space was sorely felt, and a match had to be erected outside the house which served the double purpose of a supper-room and sitting-out place.

That the interior of the match was prettily decorated, and the 'new room' was very much admired.

That many pretty dresses were worn, one or two being especially noticeable, but 'wait till our winter boxes arrive.'

That the supper was excellent. Mr. Murphy has been with his usual ability and success, and a most enjoyable dance was brought to a close in the small hours of the morning.

## BROWNIE.

## HONGKONG 'ODD VOLUMES.'

A LITTLE MEETING.

Last night a meeting of the Hongkong 'Odd Volumes' was held in the Hongkong Club, to discuss, 'on parliamentary lines,' the subject of 'Home Rule for Ireland.' In the absence of Dr. Gaudie (President), Mr. J. Francis, Q.C., Mr. H. E. Pollock and most of the other leading Volumes, some difficulty was experienced in finding a Chairman—or, as some of the members persisted in calling him, 'Speaker.' At last Mr. Sidney B. J. Skerchley, F.G.S., &c., one of the members of Committee, took the Chair.

It might have been decided by the Committee that the debate was to be conducted 'on parliamentary lines,' but the ordinary members and the visitors seemed to have but a hazy notion of what this meant; and when, at an advanced stage of the proceedings, the Hon. Secretary disclosed that the Home Rulers and Unionists were supposed to be sitting on opposite sides of the room it was discovered that there were on the Home Rule side, the mover and seconder of a resolution, two Danes, a sprinkling of Jews and Portuguese, one Scotchman, and three Englishmen (the latter non-members).

The meeting was unusually composed, and the choice of the subject of 'Home Rule for Ireland' showed either a great belief in the versatility of the 'Odd Volumes' or a total absence of the sense of the ludicrous. Out of about forty persons present, seventeen or eighteen were Englishmen or Scotchmen—there did not appear to be an Irishman present; eight were Portuguese, two Danes, two French, few Jews and the remainder non-members or non-descript! The discussion of 'Home Rule for Ireland' by a meeting, or Debating Society, composed in such proportions was too absurd.

Upon the Chairman taking the chair, he perpetrated the ancient joke which has done duty at every Parliamentary Debating Society in the old country ever since the days of the 'Speaker' because he was not allowed to say anything. The joke was new to a few of the front benchers, who enjoyed the keen wit of the 'Speaker.' He proceeded to read a portion of a letter received by the Secretary from Mr. T. Cowen, in which that gentleman intimated that he proposed to discuss certain matters referred to the Society before the Home Rule debate began. That letter was received by the Secretary at 6 p.m. The Committee had no objections to Mr. Cowen's proposal, but they liked to live up to their rules, and one of the printed rules was that any member desiring to bring forward any motion, to read a paper, or to open any discussion must give due notice to the Committee who might appoint a day for the member to be heard. He thought they could hardly say due notice had been given in this instance, but under the circumstances—it being the opening meeting of the Session—he thought they might waive a point and they would be very glad to hear anything Mr. Cowen had to say.

Mr. Cowen—Will you kindly read the rest of the letter?

The Chairman—If there are any rules of procedure regulating such matters I should be glad if you send me a copy.

Mr. Cowen—I have great pleasure in reading the answer, as you have just quoted from the rules.

Hongkong, October 27, 1893.

Dear Sir, In answer to your query I may say that although there are no special rules relative to procedure except in the general way of defining the Chairman's powers, there are several precedents for the course you propose to adopt to-night.

As a rule the first thing the Chairman does is to inquire whether any member has any remarks to make or question to put, before the evening's debate commences. You will therefore be quite in order.—Faithfully yours,

S. JEFFREY.

Well, I accepted the Hon. Secretary's ruling about these special rules, and I was rather surprised when he flashed a copy of the printed rules upon us this evening. As it turns out I read rules then that due notice should be given. I did so to the Hon. Secretary, but I do not know, in the face of these rules now produced, if I will be allowed to proceed.

The Hon. Secretary—If it will not take too long.

Mr. Cowen—I am addressing the Chairman, I believe.

The Chairman—We have met to-night to debate Home Rule, and it would be better not to discuss anything else if it is too lengthy.

Mr. Cowen—Before we settle Home Rule—before beginning to tear the earth, I think we ought to manage our own business first.

We have never had a business meeting yet, and unless we can have some discussion of the business of the Society, then I hold we have no business to go on discussing other subjects like Home Rule for Ireland.

The Hon. Secretary—The business of the Society is left to the Committee.

Mr. Cowen—And if the Chairman decides, after these explanations, that he cannot give me facilities for discussing a number of matters of business affecting the Society then, in the face of this letter and these rules, I suppose he may fairly be expected to inquire whether any member has any remarks to make or any questions to put, before I have several remarks to make, and several questions to ask (laughter).

The Chairman—I think it would be inadvisable to go into any lengthy discussion, but we don't want to burke any discussion on any subject connected with the interests of the Society, and we will be only too pleased to hear any remarks which will further the welfare of the Society. If Mr. Cowen will kindly put the questions he would like to ask I think I may promise on the part of the Chair and on the part of the Committee, and with the approval of the meeting, that these questions shall be discussed at a future time and in the near future. But as far as possible, we will answer them now. It would be exceedingly injudicious, however, in view of the subject we have before us, to spend much time in discussing matters for which the meeting was not called.

Mr. Cowen—My first question is—What is there of more importance to this Society than the business of this Society?

The Chairman—I can answer that very shortly: I would say, nothing.

Mr. Cowen—Will the Chairman allow the meeting to proceed to discuss this most important subject at once?

The Chairman—I do not think the Chairman has power to ask the meeting to discuss anything else but Home Rule.

Mr. Cowen—Will the Chairman exercise authority to check the discussion of this most important matter?

The Chairman—The meeting was called to discuss Home Rule, and I think we are bound to discuss Home Rule and not to discuss anything else. This is a very general question, so extremely general that one can hardly understand what it means. It would require a very special meeting even to find out what it meant, and I think it would not be to the interests of this Society, nor the wish of those present, to take up the time of this meeting to discuss anything except Home Rule.

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Mr. E. Page then opened the discussion of Home Rule for Ireland by proposing 'That the time has now arrived'—a phrase which gave rise to much laughter—when Great Britain, viz., the control of domestic legislation, as distinguished from Imperial legislation, by a Parliament in Dublin, elected by popular franchise; and that this should be done in the interests of justice, of peace, and the true union of the two peoples.

Mr. Page's remarks, after he got off an ancient history, reminded one of the speeches of the Irish Members of Parliament when they go over to England or Scotland. His remarks were made up of a series of perorations in which 'the head of the oppressed' and similar phrases were abundantly served out, much to the gratification of the non-English hearers, who applauded at appropriate intervals. Mr. Page's excellently turned phrases and felicitous expressions, with tremendous voice he drew a pathetic picture of the Irish peasant, with his wife and young family being ejected from their humble dwelling upon the one-sided hillside, by the existing emergency men surrounded by policemen with cruel bayonets and soldiers with equally cruel bayonets.

Mr. W. Barlow, who seconded, was delighted that the debate should be made a party one. Far from viewing with alarm the possibility that Home Rule meant Rome rule, he held the opinion that the country that was ruled by its Church could not go far wrong. He concluded that by the repeal of its fifth clause—the disestablishment of the Irish Church—the way had been made easy for the repeal of the Act of Union in 1801. The Irish Church was disestablished in 1869 by Mr. Gladstone.

Mr. Cowen—Mr. Gladstone perpetrated a fraud.

Mr. Barlow—The time has passed for such sneers as those of the Honourable Member. It was no fraud.

Mr. Cowen—I beg your pardon; breach of continuity is a fault.

Mr. Barlow proceeded to tell his audience something that would astonish the people at home if they heard it. He said the 'Scottish people had practically Home Rule already, for when a Scottish measure came from Rome to the Scotch members in Committee and discussed the measure, then came to the House and their decision was accepted by the House; whereas in the case of Ireland the representatives of the Irish people were ousted by English members.

Mr. J. W. Jones moved a negative to the resolution. Unlike most of those present Mr. Jones had been in Ireland, and therefore knew something about it; and although he went off at a tangent and eloquently illustrated the point, he was not to such an extent that he was left with only a few minutes to devote to Ireland and dealt very briefly with Mr. Page's perorations. Mr. Jones, like the two leaders on the other side, made a very eloquent speech.

Mr. Cowen—I beg to move an amendment 'That this Society does not care whether Home Rule is granted to Ireland.' (laughter).

The Chairman objected that this was not an amendment to the resolution.

Mr. Cowen—I will put it in another way. 'That in the opinion of this Society the Home Rule question is not worth discussing.' (renewed laughter). There are very many matters infinitely better worth the time and attention of this Society than Home Rule. The Home Rule question has become a very stale chestnut; in fact, it is so old it is untidily played out at home. In many debating societies at home it is barely mentioned, and it is impossible to find a single speaker who has not said it has been said over and over again.

The Hon. Secretary—We are here this evening to discuss Home Rule and the Honourable Member is not discussing Home Rule. He is wasting the time of the meeting.

Mr. Cowen—Mr. Chairman, you have heard my amendment. I will put it in writing if you like.

Mr. Page—I think it is not an amendment in the Parliamentary sense of the word. The Leader of the Opposition has proposed the amendment already.

The Chairman—I would be sorry to stop Mr. Cowen. He says the question of Home Rule is played out, but I think he has shown as much as a senator can under the same time I think we ought to postpone ourselves to the subject of Home Rule.

You must admit, Mr. Cowen, you were wandering just a little bit from Home Rule. Mr. Cowen—I don't mind I will move an amendment 'That the House do not immediately adjourn in connection with this House.' That is very Parliamentary.

That is the form in which any motion may be blocked, and it is one which can be put to the House. The Hon. Secretary said this motion was to be conducted 'on Parliamentary lines' as far as possible, and I am now proceeding upon essentially Parliamentary lines (laughter).

It is strictly Parliamentary, and I defy any one to give any precedent whereby it can be barred.

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Mr. Barlow—in view of your ruling, Mr. Chairman, I move that the Honourable Member do not speak (applause).

The Hon. Secretary—I second that. Mr. Cowen—Those gentlemen who have spoken are prejudiced in this matter. They have come down here with huge rolls of manuscript and they wish to fire them off (laughter).

Mr. Barlow—Standing on this Treasury Bench—the placed a foot on one of the chairs—I move that the Honourable Member be suspended for a period of one week (laughter and applause).

Mr. Page—I second that.

The Chairman—All in favour of hearing the Honourable and witty Member will please hold up their hands.

Mr. Cowen (the only member who held up his hand)—I want to hear myself (renewed laughter).

There was an over-whelming majority against his being heard.



